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Brazil to raise alleged US spying during Kerry visit next week

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Allegations of US electronic spying in Brazil will be raised when US Secretary of State John Kerry visits the country next week, Foreign Minister Antonio Patriota said Thursday.

"It is an issue that cannot be left out of the bilateral US-Brazil agenda," he told reporters.

Kerry is due in Brazil Tuesday. Patriota, who spoke during a luncheon with business executives in Rio, stressed however that President Dilma Rousseff still planned to visit the United States in October.

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JPMorgan faces criminal probe on mortgage bonds

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US banking giant JPMorgan Chase said Thursday it is facing parallel civil and criminal investigations over its sale of mortgage-backed securities before the financial crisis. (see story on pg 6)

Commission Bon Boluntad (Committee of Goodwill): "Respect the Opinion of Others"

Working under the auspices of Aruba's Chamber of Commerce, (KvK) the Commission Bon Boluntad (Committee of Goodwill) 2013 is a committee of well-recognized members of the community charged with monitoring Aruba's electoral process during 2013.

President of this year's commission, Glenn Thodé, former Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of

Aruba, served as the appointed Lt. Governor of Bonaire for three years and returned to Aruba as Rector of the University of Aruba. He and other committee members welcomed media to the KvK building yesterday afternoon, on the eve of the official presentation of party lists to address behavior during this process. It will be taking place today in Oranjestad, and thousands are expected to gather around the Plaza Las Americas near the airport for the occasion.

This process requires party leaders to appear before a board, where they will present their list of candidates for the upcoming election at the end of September. All those that will be on the ballot are required to accompany their party leader for their candidacy to be officially accepted.

The board will sit at Nikky Beach premises at the eastern outskirts of town, Surfside Beach. Aside from the candidates, the large crowds of party members and supporters will likely tie up traffic for the day, and emotions can run high.

The Commission Bon Boluntad made a number of recommendation regarding today's proceedings, and the various events that will occur over the two months of campaigning until election day, September 27.

They also requested that all candidates and their supporters respect the rights of other parties in presenting their lists, vacating the area once they have completed their submission, as there are 13 parties needing to go through the process. This will be a long-drawn out affair, and they ask that everyone assist in moving it along.

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I commend the Management Team for offering the one hour classes to the employees – they benefitted a great deal and the experience of changing their frowns to smiles and their fears to confidence, was both uplifting and heart-warming for them and for me!

I look forward to doing it all again next summer.

**Antoinette DeWit, in
Victoria, British Columbia,
Canada.**

Agreement on ensuring more expertise in the exploration of petroleum



This week in the presence of Minister President Mike Eman, Minister of Finance, Communication and Utilities Mike de Meza, representative Mr. Bochove of Energiebedrijf Nederland and Director of Compania Arubano di Petroleo N.V. (Aruban Petroleum Company N.V.), Mr. Armando Curiel, an important agreement was signed in an effort to ensure that we have all the necessary expertise for the continued exploration of petroleum in our territorial waters.

The state company, Energiebeheer Nederland is very active in the exploration of gas and liquid petroleum reserves in The Netherlands. This company also offers advice regarding the general energy platform. The agreement signed by the government of Aruba is to make certain that we have this kind of assistance from Holland for petroleum exploration.

Ever since 2010, the government of Aruba has been active in trying to crystalize certain agreements. Together

hydrocarbon and petroleum and gas reserves. The giant Spanish company REPSOL was the company that received the opportunity to do this work. Director of Exploration for REPSOL, Joseba Murillas, at that time explained that exploration will cover an area of 14,000 square kilometers and would go to a depth of 50 to 300 meters. REPSOL has much experience with exploration in the Caribbean.

Much work has transpired in the past years, and this week they were able to sign a MOU. Parliament has been duly informed as well as the Aruban community as to what has transpired in the past three years.

This week with the signing of this agreement Aruba has reached yet another step closer to a wonderful economic possibility. One of Aruba's objectives is to be totally sustainable by the year 2020 and this potential may be a tremendous spin-off ideal.

Aruba's Weather Update!

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Commission Bon Boluntad (Committee of Goodwill): "Respect the Opinion of Others"

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During the campaign, this respect for other parties and candidates should continue, as well as for the public that needs to go about its daily business. Certain practices could be considered provocative and are frowned upon. Intentionally intruding on another party's "territory" to distributed car stickers and propaganda is discouraged.

Aware that there will be many rallies and events, the commission asks that organizers to control the consumption of alcohol and be considerate to residents of the area regarding noise pollution. Having a live band on a trailer is quite common, and though it is a good time for those attending, campaign events should be aware that residents of an area need to get up and work in the morning, so limit the hours and try to keep the noise at a manageable level.

This also applies to providing proper waste disposal and not leaving behind an accumulation of refuse. Unlike public events like carnival, the official waste management of Aruba, SERLIMAR, will not be cleaning up after-

wards; event organizers are urged to make arrangements to resolve this issue.

A major issue which is already inviting comment is the many road rallies and demonstrations that interfere with the flow of daily life and traffic on Aruba. Motorcades should be limited so as not to disrupt business and inconvenience the public. This particular applies to today's event when the lists are submitted, but has become an issue on most weekends, and will likely occur more frequently as Election Day looms. Permits for political demonstrations must be obtained and conducted in areas which will not create difficulty for emergency vehicles, in particular, and be limited in size.

The CBB can be contact at telephone number 582-1120 ext 34/41 or via e-mail: secretariat@arubachamber.com. For more information on the CBB, its function and the laws enabling it, visit the KvK website: <http://www.arubachamber.com/downloads/others/comission-bon-boluntad>



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PayPal co-founder out to get women pregnant with Glow

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - PayPal co-founder Max Levchin rolled out a new iPhone application on Thursday designed to help couples conceive by calculating the best time to procreate.

The Internet entrepreneur and partners in his latest endeavor released the Glow software at Apple's online App Store in the United States.

Glow also announced \$6 million in backing from Founders Fund, Andreessen

Horowitz and several investors.

"We see so many opportunities to improve the state of health and wellness through data science," said Levchin, executive chairman and co-founder of San Francisco-based Glow.

Women keep Glow applications updated regarding what is happening with their bodies and the information is analyzed to pinpoint optimum times for conceiving.

The long term vision for

Glow includes riding the "wearable computing" trend to incorporate ways to automatically feed applications information through sensors in bracelets, pendants, scales or elsewhere.

"Glow helps women become more informed about their reproductive health," said Gunce Arkan, who recounted leaving a Wall Street career and undergoing six cycles of in-vitro fertilization (IVF) to have her two children.

An authentic taste of the Caribbean cuisine now at Jamaica Mi Irie



Curried Goat and Jamaican Root Wine

The word "irie" has a plethora of meanings in Jamaican culture, from pure nirvana to feeling well satisfied, and patrons

will certainly feel at least the latter after a visit to Aruba's only authentic Jamaican restaurant, the newly opened Jamaica Mi Irie in San Nicolas.

The kitchen is the beloved effort of well known island chef, Jeffrey Roy Elliott, the master in the kitchen of Elliott's Italian restaurant adjacent to Costa Linda. Jeffrey has gone back to his Jamaican roots for this enthu-



Jeffrey Elliott and wife Daisy

sia effort with his wife Daisy, who loves being the happy hostess. The regular menu features the traditional cuisine such as Jerk Chicken, Fried Chicken, Beef oxtail, Stewed Pork, Jerk Pork, Fried Fish plus a house specialty, Curried Goat. These are regular items, but Jeffrey prefers to pepper his menu with various "Specials of the Day" made from what is fresh and seasonal.

This very cute, cozy place is open for lunch and dinner daily, except Sundays and Mondays, from 11:00 AM until 10:00 PM. It is located directly across from the BSL Laundry on Captain Rodgerstraat, which runs along the refinery wall parallel to the San Nicolas main street.

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Mr. Lio Booi with Director of DCA Siegfried Dumfries



The Aruba Department of Culture (DCA) was born back on September 30, 1978 as the Institute of Aruba Culture (ICA) when it was officially instituted by the insular

government of Aruba.

The government back then appointed Hubert (Lio) Booi as the Head of the Department of Culture and education whose job it was to help prepare the people culturally for Aruba's Status Aparte.

Booi proposed that the department be given a name in Papiamentu and that this ought to be Instituto di Cultura Aruba (ICA). So, the preparations for the formation of this department began in April 1978 and by September 30, 1978 everything was ready. The new department was then officially instituted

by then Deputy of Culture, Nelson O. Oduber.

After 35 years DCA continues its task of implementing a management of culture on behalf of the people of Aruba. One of the projects

that they are very proud of is the "Gang di Arte" which has just completed their 7th edition this year.

Gang di Arte was a part of the 35 year celebration along with Cas di Cultura, Atelier

89, Curacao Group and others.

The Morning News joins in congratulating the Department of Culture in their 35th year celebration...keep up the good work!

Disney reaches for the skies with "Planes"

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - As a lifelong aviation enthusiast and qualified pilot, filmmaker Klay Hall was the logical choice when Disney was seeking a director for its latest animated offering, "Planes."

A spin-off of Pixar's phenomenally successful "Cars" franchise, "Planes" was initially envisioned as a video project, released through the Disney Toon Studios division.

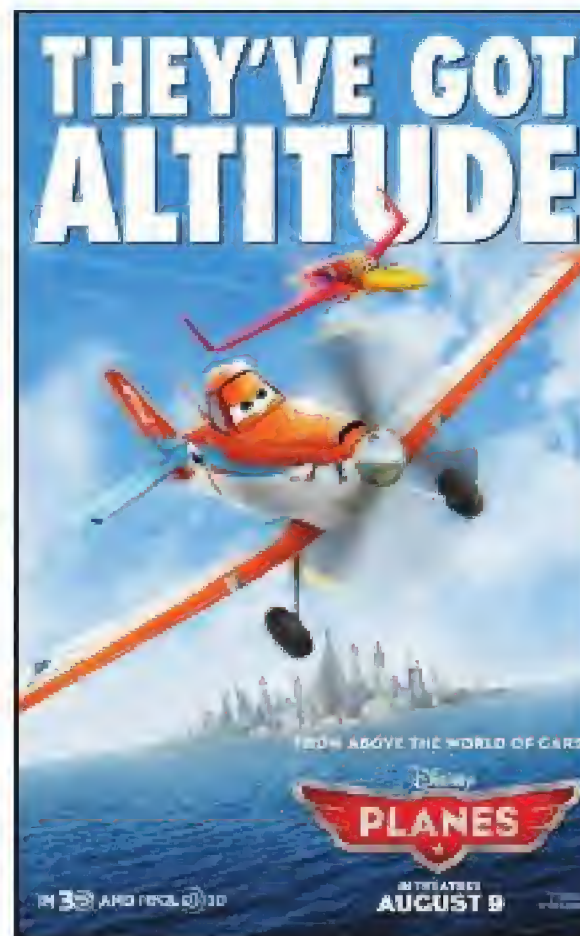
However, Disney took the rare step of giving the movie a theatrical release, confident the film, which opens in the United States this week, has potential to be a commercial success at the box office.

The sky-high hopes for the project are a testament to the work of Hall, a pilot who comes from a long line of aviators. Both Hall's father, a former US Navy pilot, and grandfather were fliers.

As a child growing up in California, Hall would accompany his father to a local airfield to watch planes taking off and landing, often sketching what he saw.

Decades later, Hall's affinity with aircraft meant the director was in his element as he got to work on "Planes."

While the project bears obvious similarities to "Cars," Disney's legendary



animation chief John Lasseter -- who directed both "Cars" and "Cars 2" -- encouraged Hall to "create his own universe."

"The aesthetics are the same. We have eyes and the characters talk, and it's a charming design of a vehicle. But that's where the similarities stop," the director added.

"Planes" follows the adventures of a feisty crop-dusting plane called Dusty who dreams of competing in a prestigious round-the-world race.

"I always loved the underdog stories, the little guy, the weak guy able to rise above.

I think it's a classic story, it's universal," Hall said.

"I also like the idea that he's built one way but deep down he feels he can do more."

Hall said particular attention to the mechanics of his characters' flying sequences.

"One of the hardest things is to make airplanes fly and make their flight believable," he said. "It took us at least six months to crack that code. We had aviation experts in, flight experts and consultants."

The other main challenge was deciding how to "humanize" the planes at the center of the action.

"A car is on the ground. Everyone knows how a car rolls and works -- they have a big windshield for the eyes, a big grill area for the mouth," he said.

"We have wings, that are constantly in the way, we have little windshields, the mouth is on the bottom. Then we have the propellers, always in the way of the camera. Tons of challenges," he added.

The last time Disney turned a plane into a cartoon character was way back in 1942, when the animated short "Pedro" was released in conjunction with "Saludos Amigos."



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Medical graduates from the region fighting for their right to work on Aruba



This week the government received a group of young medical graduates who studied medicine in the region.

These young people are fighting for the right to practice their profession on Aruba like all other professionals who studied in Holland.

The Prime Minister, who received the group, indicated that... "since 2010 we have been working on the situation of these young people who studied medicine in the region. But it is not moving as fast as we would like. We want to reach a solution that would satisfy everyone." He assured the group that the process is moving along and that they are in consultation with all the partners involved.

A group of students who have already graduated have united to form an organization to approach the government to reach a formula

whereby they could practice their profession on Aruba. To achieve this, they spent three weeks collecting signatures. They accumulated 11,254 signatures with the Prime Minister also affixing his signature to the long list. After speaking on behalf of his colleagues, Dr. Christian Mejia, the Prime Minister explained what has been done thus far.

The matter has been discussed in the Council of Ministers and with the Association of Primary Care Physicians and Specialists, IMSAN and the Hospital.

The Prime Minister admitted that there are certain aspects which must be changed; hence he is pleased that this group of students has organized themselves so that they can be part of the Social Dialogue which will be studying this matter. The group proposed a meeting for

September 10th. Setting a date, however, will be the prerogative of the President of Parliament. He will eventually set a date and call a meeting soon.

Great boat building initiative during upcoming Sailing Regatta

Two boat builders, Yair Lichtenstein and Rik van der Vaart, will be demonstrating boat building during the upcoming International Sailing Regatta, which is held at Surfside Beach on August 10 and 11. The result of their joint effort, which can be either rowed or motored with a small outboard, will hopefully be sold during the prize-giving ceremony of the event and net proceeds will go to the sailing school for kids (SYWA). With their unique action, the two boat builders hope to show that a lovely wooden vessel can be built in relatively little time and with not much expertise. The design of the boat is a John Welsford Seagull; the boat can easily hold three people and glides through the water with ease.

The wood needed to build the Seagull is entirely sponsored by Kooyman, in sup-



port of the International Sailing Regatta. The boat will be sold unpainted, so that the new owner can decide on its color and finishing touches in close cooperation with Rik and Yair.

The International Sailing Regatta will be held at Surfside Beach — everyone is more than welcome to come and cheer on the participants in the various classes.

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Gunman tosses bomb, shoots 8 in Texas rampage

CHICAGO (AFP) - A gunman threw an explosive device during a rampage that left four people dead and four injured in two Texas homes, police said Thursday.

The gunman was arrested without incident when police arrived at the second home and initial reports indicated he was stunned, and muttering his name and a military rank and serial number.

Police have not yet identified the suspect and could not confirm whether he was a current or former member of the military.

"We do believe this is a domestic related incident," Corporal Melissa Frank of the DeSoto police department told reporters.

Police got a call after dark on Wednesday when a woman, concerned about her daughter after a disturbing phone call, went to a Dallas home and discovered the carnage.

Her daughter, who is about 43, was dead as was her 17-year-old granddaughter. Her grandson, 14, was shot as was a 17-year-old girl who was visiting at the time.

She told police to check a home in the nearby suburb of DeSoto. While police were rushing there they received a call from a child begging for help.

When they arrived at about 10:45 pm they discovered two women had been shot dead while two boys, aged 11 and 13, were wounded.

Local media identified the shooter as a former school teacher and member of an all-male Dallas Mavericks dance troupe.

Family members told KDFW news that Erbie Bowser, 44, opened fire at his girlfriend's house, killing Toya Smith, 43, and her daughter Tasmia Allen. Her wounded son was identified as Storm Malone.

He then drove to his ex-wife's home in DeSoto, but it is not yet clear if she was among the two women killed there.

Local media reported that a grenade was tossed in the DeSoto home but police said they could not yet confirm what type of explosive was used.

Italy cracks down on violence against women

ROME (AFP) - Italy adopted a draft law on Thursday to crack down on violence against women in the wake of an escalating trend of attacks by husbands and lovers.

"We promised we would do it, we did it," Prime Minister Enrico Letta said on Twitter after the government adopted the draft bill which is expected to be quickly validated by parliament.

In the first six months of this year, 81 women were murdered in so-called femicide attacks in Italy, in 75 percent of cases by their partners or a member of their family, according to Italy's biggest trade union, the CGIL.

In 2012, 124 women were killed, and a third of all women in Italy are victims at some point of domestic violence according to a United Nations report, which cites data from the national statistics agency (ISTAT).

The bill is "a strong signal of a radical change" and the launch of "a relentless fight

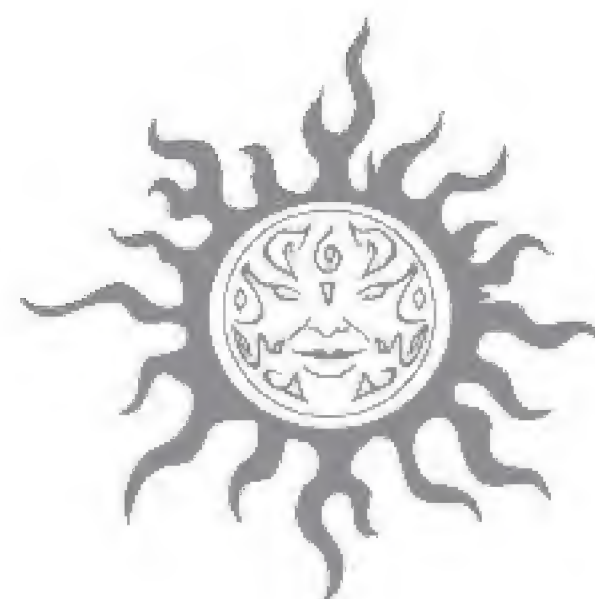
against the sad phenomenon of femicide," Letta said at a press conference following its adoption.

Measures include the obligatory arrest of those caught in the act of stalking or physically abusing victims.

Once a complaint has been lodged against a suspect, it can no longer be withdrawn and a police investigation will be launched.

Violent husbands or partners will be evicted from the family home and victims will be kept constantly up to date on their attacker's legal status -- including being informed if aggressors behind bars are released from jail.

Italy's speaker of the lower house of parliament Laura Boldrini in May called for a law to defend women from misogynist and violent acts after receiving hundreds of menacing messages on the Internet, including photos altered to show her head on the bodies of women being raped.



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JPMorgan faces criminal probe on mortgage bonds Continued from pg 1

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - JPMorgan disclosed in a securities filing that in May it was notified by the civil division of the US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California stating that it had preliminarily concluded that the bank "violated certain federal securities laws" in connection with the subprime mortgage-backed securities offered over 2005-2007.

The filing described a federal criminal inquiry in parallel to the civil investigation, but did not provide further details.

The filing went on to say that JPMorgan is responding to "a number of subpoenas and informal requests for information from other federal

and state authorities" over its sale of mortgage-backed securities from the same period.

The probes signal that JPMorgan, the nation's largest bank by revenue, continues to face tough regulatory scrutiny amid increased political debate on whether some giant banks are "too big to fail."

The company last week agreed to pay \$410 million to resolve US charges that it manipulated power prices in California and the Midwest.

The probes are also the latest sign the big banks are still not clear of fallout from the housing bust and subsequent financial crisis. US regulators Tuesday sued Bank of America for fraud over its

sale of \$850 million in mortgage-backed securities that caused huge losses for investors.

In the filing, JPMorgan reiterated that it is "currently experiencing an unprecedented increase in regulation and supervision" and that the change in environment "could have a significant impact on how the firm conducts business."

The bank, which also faces private litigation related to the demise of the MF Global brokerage and the Bernie Madoff scandal, among other matters, said second-quarter litigation expenses rose to \$678 million in 2013 from \$323 million in 2012.



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International News

Amnesty to Hamas: halt planned Gaza executions

JERUSALEM (AFP) - Amnesty International on Thursday urged Gaza Strip rulers Hamas to halt prisoner executions planned for after the Muslim Eid al-Fitr holiday, which is celebrated until Sunday.

"The Hamas authorities in Gaza must halt several executions they say they plan to carry out after this week's Muslim religious festival of Eid al-Fitr," the London-based rights watchdog said in a statement.

"We acknowledge the right and responsibility of governments to bring to justice those suspected of criminal offences, but the death penalty is cruel and inhuman," said Philip Luther, Amnesty's Middle East and North Africa director.

"There is no evidence that (execution) deters crime more effectively than other punishments," he added.

Those sentenced to death include a 27-year-old known as "HMA", who Amnesty says

confessed under torture to the rape and murder of a six-year-old boy when HMA himself was under 18.

Another, 23-year-old, "FA", was sentenced in March for "collaboration" with Israel, Amnesty said.

There has been no specific date given for the executions.

Hamas prime minister Ismail Haniya on August 3 said "we shall not desist in preserving our internal security."

"We must not tolerate anyone who would violate internal security," he was quoted by Hamas-affiliated Felesteen news website as saying.

He did not specifically mention those named in Amnesty's statement, however.

Haniya said he "respected" rights groups that campaigned against capital punishment, but stressed: "We also respect our own blood, and our laws."

Under Palestinian law, collaboration with Israel, murder and drug trafficking are all punishable by death.

Suicide attack kills 38 at Pakistan funeral

QUETTA (AFP) - A suicide bomber killed 38 people Thursday and wounded more than 50 others, most of them Pakistani policemen attending a funeral on the eve of the Eid al-Fitr Muslim festival, an officer said.

The attack at police headquarters in the southwestern city of Quetta was the latest in a series of attacks highlighting the major security challenges faced by a newly elected government.

The bomber struck as officers gathered to pay their respects to a colleague who had been shot dead only hours before in Quetta, capital of the troubled province of Baluchistan.

Fayaz Sumbal, a deputy inspector general of police and one of the most senior officers in Quetta, was among those killed.

A son of the imam of the mosque at the police headquarters was among the dead, Doctor Syed Sarwar Shah told AFP at one hospital.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility. Quetta sits on the frontline of Islamist militant violence, a Baluch

separatist insurgency and violence targeting the Shiite Muslim minority.

Police officer Rahim Khan had earlier put the death toll at 28 but warned that many of the injured were in a critical condition.

Police said the attack was carried out by a suicide bomber.

The blast capped a bloody Ramadan in Pakistan, where at least 11 attacks have killed more than 120 people during the fasting month which is one

of the holiest times in the Islamic calendar.

The month ends with the festival of Eid this Sunday.

Early Wednesday a bomb killed eight people at the end of a football tournament in Pakistan's biggest city Karachi, many of them young fans watching the game from the stands.

Pakistan is also in dispute with India over the killing of five Indian soldiers in the disputed Kashmir region this week.



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Health & Living

Chinese herb remedy extract linked to cancer: study

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A plant extract used in Chinese herbal remedies for arthritis, gout and inflammation has been directly linked to cancer and causes a surprising number of genetic mutations, scientists said.

The gene signature of aristolochic acid -- derived from a vine known as birthwort -- was found in tumors from 19 upper urinary tract cancer patients from Taiwan.

Scientists have long known that the acid was a carcinogen, but the new study shows for the first time that it causes far more genetic mutations than smoking-related lung cancer or ultraviolet radiation-associ-

ated with skin cancer.

Tumors in people exposed to the herb had about 150 mutations per megabase, compared to eight in smoking-related lung cancers and 111 in UV-related melanomas, said the study in the US journal Science Translational Medicine.

Knowing more about the acid's signature will help researchers screen for the herb's involvement in cancers of other organs, experts said.

The herb's cancer links led to a ban on aristolochic acid-containing products in Europe and North America in 2001 and in Asia in 2003, the researchers said.

Sanjay Gupta: I was wrong about weed



Dr. Sanjay Gupta is apologizing for "misleading" the American public on weed.

CNN's chief medical correspondent, whose documentary Weed airs on CNN this Sunday, said he was wrong about the effects of the drug.

"I have apologized for

some of the earlier reporting because I think, you know, we've been terribly and systematically misled in this country for some time," Gupta told Piers Morgan on CNN Wednesday night. "And I did part of that misleading."

Gupta has spoken out against the use of medical marijuana in the past, including penning a TIME magazine article in 2009 titled, Why I would Vote No on Pot.

In an op-ed that appeared on CNN's website Thursday, Why I Changed My Mind On Weed, Gupta said he had mistakenly believed the Drug Enforcement Agency had sound scientific proof when it placed marijuana in the category of the most dangerous

drugs. Surely, they must have quality reasoning as to why marijuana is in the category of the most dangerous drugs that have "no accepted medicinal use and a high potential for abuse."

They didn't have the science to support that claim, and I now know that when it comes to marijuana neither of those things are true. It doesn't have a high potential for abuse, and there are very legitimate medical applications. In fact, sometimes marijuana is the only thing that works. Take the case of Charlotte Figi, who I met in Colorado. She started having seizures soon after birth. By age 3, she was having 300 a week, despite being on seven different medications. Medical marijuana has calmed her brain, limiting her seizures to 2 or 3 per month.

I have seen more patients like Charlotte first hand, spent time with them and come to the realization that it is irresponsible not to provide the best care we can as a medical community, care that could involve marijuana.

Gupta says he hopes his upcoming documentary will help set the record straight on medical marijuana.

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Science nod to family of unwitting medical heroine

PARIS (AFP) - Sixty-two years ago, scientists harvested cancer cells from an African American tobacco farmer which were used for some of the biggest breakthroughs in medical science -- without her knowledge or consent.

The abnormally resilient cells were taken from Henrietta Lacks shortly before she died and used for decades without her family's knowledge, spawning Nobel-winning discoveries and a multi-million-dollar industry that yielded the polio vaccine, cloning, in-vitro fertilisation and many medicines.

It became the most widely used human cell line used by researchers and made Lacks a giant contributor to medical science, albeit unwittingly.

Now, six decades after her death, Lacks' descendants are paving the way yet again -- this time helping to lay the groundwork for ethical use of genetic data obtained in the name of research.

On Wednesday, authorities announced they had finally reached an agreement with Lacks' family for the continued, though controlled, use of the cells' genomic data, which was published on the same occasion.

Lacks, a mother of five, was 31 when she died of an aggressive cervical cancer at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland in 1951.

At the time, US regulations did not require doctors to obtain a patient's consent to harvest cell specimens.

The cells taken from Lacks, dubbed HeLa for the first let-



ters of her first and last names, caused great excitement in scientific circles: they were the first-ever human cells to grow endlessly in the lab -- all others harvested up to this point eventually died.

Lacks' identity was revealed in a scientific journal in 1971, followed by a television documentary in 1997 and the publication in 2010 of a book, "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks", now being made into a film.

Then in March this year, scientists from the European Molecular Biology Laboratory in Germany published a full genome of the cell line -- including data that could divulge certain heritable traits of Lacks' descendants.

Such information, which may point to a propensity for diseases like alcoholism, Alzheimer's disease or bipolar disorder, could be used to deny people life insurance or disability coverage, and the data was removed from public fora within days after the family protested.

The incident resulted in talks between the Lacks family and the NIH, which in turn

The decision had been a complicated one, seeking to balance the needs of science with protecting her family's privacy said granddaughter and family spokeswoman Jeri Lacks Whye.

The agreement covered only researchers funded by the NIH, and would not prevent others from "piecing together" large parts of the HeLa genome from data already in the public domain, or even sequencing it from scratch.

Collins stressed the agreement was not precedent-setting, and was necessary only because the HeLa cells were in such widespread use and the Lacks family was by now so widely known.

Sci-Tech

Paraguay dig for 19th century gold cache is halted

ASUNCION (AFP) - Tractors filled in an enormous crater in a suburb of the Paraguayan capital Thursday, burying a local man's dream of finding a hoard of hidden gold.

"We couldn't advance and extract the gold because of the bad vibes out there," said a Juan Alberto Diaz, the venture's promoter.

Prosecutors stepped in and put a stop to the huge dig in the Asuncion suburb of Capireta, saying Diaz lacked an environmental permit.

Acting on what he said were historical clues and sophisticated satellite imagery, Diaz began digging last Friday for what he believed was a 2.2 ton cache of gold buried by a 19th century Paraguayan war hero Francisco Solano Lopez.

He had the approval of mayors of the surrounding communities, police and even some lawmakers.

Over the next five days, hundreds of people stopped to watch as his crew excavated a 100 by 30 meter (yard) area.

They dug down 20 meters but water began gushing into the hole.

Then prosecutor Cinthia Lovera charged Diaz with damaging the environment, and ordered him to stop.

She also sent summons to the officials who approved the dig.



SPACE (AFP) - This handout image released by ESA/Hubble on Thursday, shows a long ribbon of gas called the Magellanic Stream, which stretches nearly halfway around the Milky Way. In this combined radio and visible-light image, the gaseous stream is shown in pink. The radio observations are taken from the Leiden/Argentine/Bonn (LAB) Survey. The Milky Way is the light blue band in the centre of the image. The brown clumps are interstellar dust clouds in our galaxy. The Magellanic Clouds, satellite galaxies of the Milky Way, are the white regions at the bottom right.

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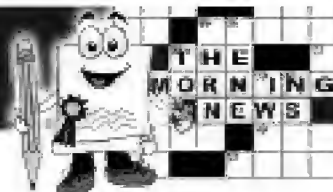
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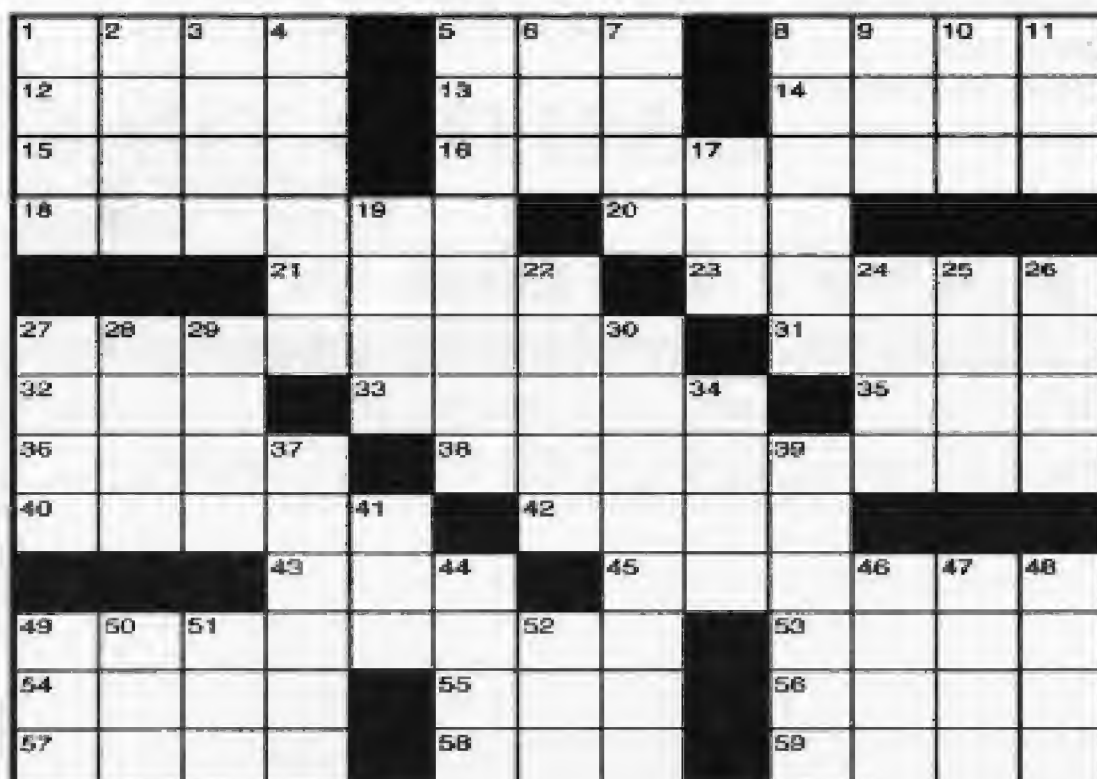
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8. Franklin ____ Roosevelt
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11. Musket ending
17. Airline schedule abbr.
19. Action word
22. "____ to you"
24. Chew upon
25. Skinny and tall
26. Finishes up
27. Sloping way
28. Robert ____ of Va. (2 wds.)
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30. Losers at musical chairs
34. Scare away
37. Divides in two
39. Porch shelter
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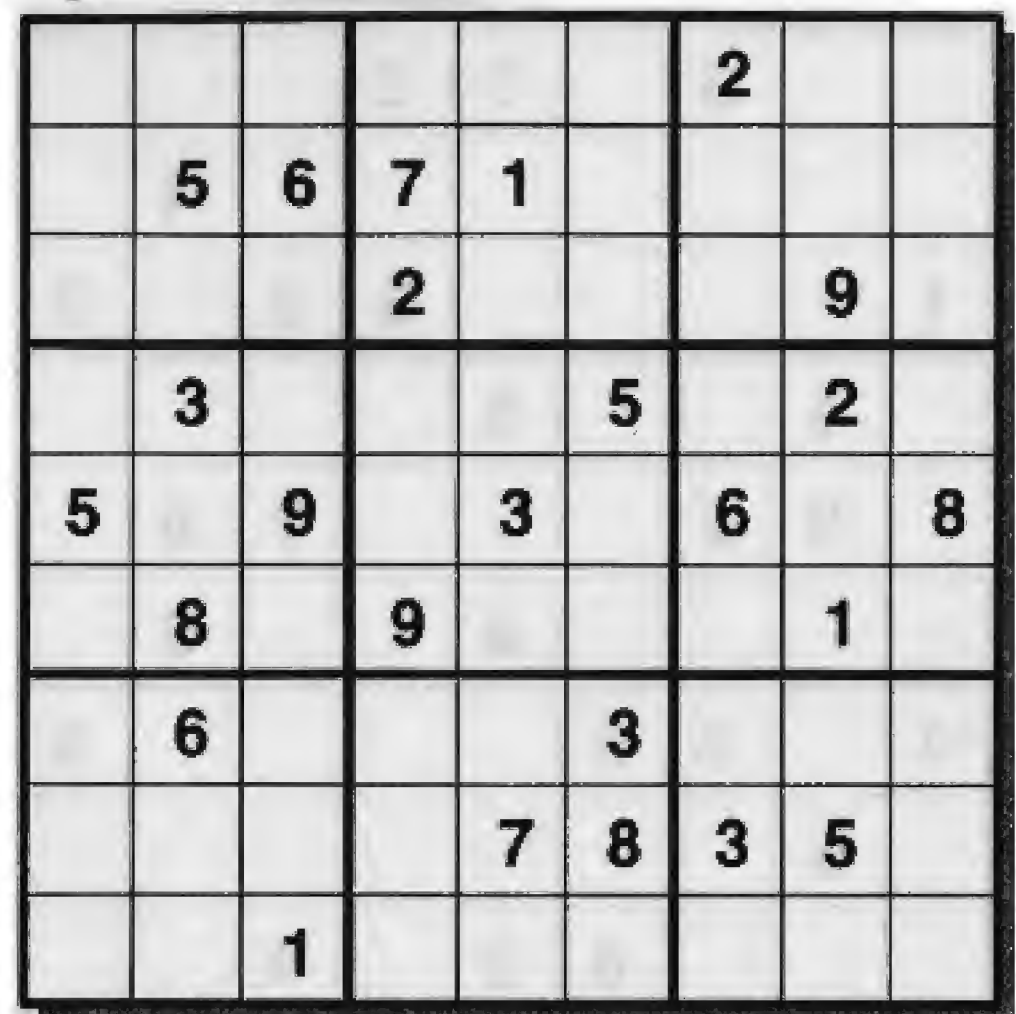
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Obama: Greece needs policies focused on growth and jobs

WASHINGTON (AFP) - US President Barack Obama called Thursday for more growth-oriented policies in Greece, saying the austerity has not been adequate to revive the country's battered economy.

Speaking after talks with Greek Prime Minister Antonis Samaras, Obama said he was confident in his visitor's commitment to much-needed reforms.

"What we also agreed to, is that in dealing with the challenges that Greece faces, we cannot simply look at austerity for a strategy," Obama said.

"It's important that we have a plan for fiscal consolidation to manage the debt," he told reporters.

"But it's also important that growth and jobs are our focus, because we know from history that those countries that have growth, countries where employment is high... people have an easier time easing the debt burdens than countries where people are feeling hopeless," Obama added.

"Prime Minister Samaras is committed to take the tough actions that are required, but also understands we want to make sure that Greek people



see a light at the end of the tunnel."

Samaras echoed the message, as the Greek economy continues to contract under tough austerity policies required by its European Union-International Monetary Fund bailout program.

"We've gone through thick and thin, the sacrifices made by the Greek people are huge," he said. "But they are not going to be in vain because what we now need is development, jobs and growth."

Greece has struggled to meet targets set by the bailout program, which require it to boost tax collection, sell off state assets, and pare back government to narrow its deficit and cut borrowing needs.

But late last month, the IMF warned that because Greece was not meeting the goals, the bailout program itself was likely to need some 11 billion euros (\$14.7 billion) more over the next two years.

Moscow rejects Saudi offer to drop Assad for arms deal

BEIRUT (AFP) - Moscow has rejected a Saudi proposal to abandon Syria's president in return for a huge arms deal and a pledge to boost Russian influence in the Arab world, diplomats told AFP.

On July 31, President Vladimir Putin, a strong backer of Syrian leader Bashar

Brazil to auction 240 onshore blocks for gas search

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Brazil is to auction 240 onshore blocks for gas exploration in 12 states in November, according to the country's national petroleum agency ANP.

The agency said late Wednesday that the 12th licensing round would involve blocks covering 168,348 square kilometers in the states of Amazonas, Acre, Tocantins, Alagoas, Sergipe, Piaui, Mato Grosso, Goias, Bahia, Maranhao, Parana and Sao Paulo.

It said 110 blocks would be in remote regions such as the northern state of Acre which pose technological challenges to producers.

In mid-May, Brazil's first oil auction in five years raised a record \$1.4 billion for 142 onshore and offshore blocks located in unexplored northern and northeastern regions.

In October, ANP is to auction concessions to drill and explore huge, offshore deep water oil fields believed to contain up to 12 billion barrels of crude.

The state-run Petrobras oil company is to be involved as partner in all the contracts signed.

Petrobras extracts most of the two million barrels of oil a day currently produced in Brazil, a figure they hope to double by 2020.

al-Assad, met Saudi Arabia's influential intelligence chief Prince Bandar bin Sultan, after which both Moscow and Riyadh kept a lid on the substance of the talks.

Bandar proposed that Saudi Arabia buy \$15 billion (11 billion euros) of weapons from Russia and invest "considerably in the country," the source said.

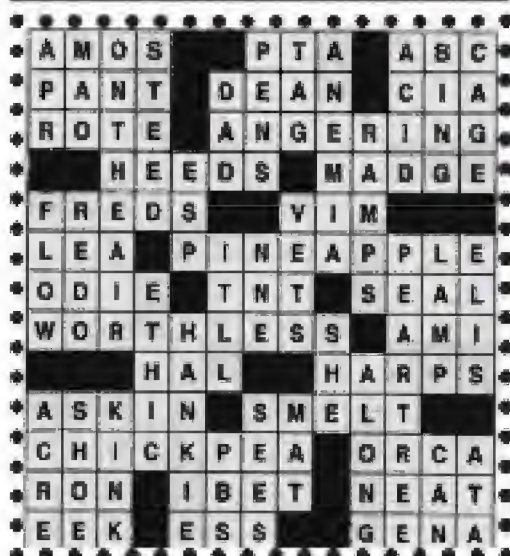
The Saudi prince also reassured Putin that "whatever regime comes after" Assad, it will be "completely" in the Saudis' hands and will not sign any agreement allowing any

Gulf country to transport its gas across Syria to Europe and compete with Russian gas exports, the diplomat said.

In 2009, Assad refused to sign an agreement with Qatar for an overland pipeline running from the Gulf to Europe via Syria to protect the interests of its Russian ally, which is Europe's top supplier of natural gas.

An Arab diplomat with contacts in Moscow said: "President Putin listened politely to his interlocutor and let him know that his country would not change its strategy."

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer



MANILA (AFP) - : Customers buy vegetables from stalls on the street in Manila on Thursday. The Philippine central bank on August 8 forecast that inflation would remain low even amid expectations of rising economic growth.



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BUCHAREST (AFP) - Romanian experts sifting through ashes that could contain charred debris of masterpieces stolen from Rotterdam's Kunsthall museum have identified fragments typical of burnt oil paintings, the museum carrying out the analysis said Thursday. Six Romanians will stand trial in August for what has been called the "theft of the century". The works stolen include Picasso's "Tete d'Arlequin", Monet's "Waterloo Bridge" and Lucian Freud's "Woman with Eyes Closed"

Pope steps up financial controls at Vatican

VATICAN CITY (AFP) - Pope Francis intensified the fight against corruption in the Vatican on Thursday, strengthening the law to counter "money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction."

The short "Motu Proprio", a decree of Francis's own initiative, strengthens the supervision of financial transactions "in response to a recommendation of the Moneyval Commit-

tee," the European watchdog which carried out a review of the Vatican bank last year.

It includes the creation of a new Financial Security Committee to help increase vigilance and coordinate efforts in countering corruption.

It also extends laws which previously only applied to the tiny state to the "institutes and entities dependent on the Holy See, as well as to nonprofit organisations" -- such as the Caritas International humani-

tarian organisation.

The decree is just the latest in a series of bold moves on the part of the pontiff to clean up the institution's murky financial image.

"It is a means of ensuring the road (towards transparency) continues," Vatican spokesman Federico Lombardi said in a press conference.

"In today's world, it is all about resisting increasingly insidious forms of financial criminality. We have to be equal to the challenges in order to protect legality, and not be left behind," he said.

The Vatican is attempting to reform its finances to get onto a "white list" of states that respect international fraud rules.

What has been hailed as a potential revolution by many religious watchers began with the appointment mid-June of one of the pope's trusted allies to oversee management of the Institute for Religious Works (IOR) -- as the bank is known.

The 76-year-old pontiff followed this by installing a special five-member commission tasked with investigating the bank and reporting their findings directly back to him personally.

The commission's first report is expected in October, and may spark wider reforms of the murky institute.

Winnie Mandela releases journal on prison life



JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - Nelson Mandela's ex-wife Winnie on Thursday released a book about her detention by the apartheid regime, a time she described as the darkest part of her life.

The book "491 Days: Prisoner number 1323/69" is based on a journal Winnie Madikizela-Mandela kept in prison during her detention.

In the book Winnie shares some of her journal entries as well as letters between her husband and herself.

The book details her harrowing isolated confinement for over a year after security police detained her at her Soweto home on May 12, 1969.

An anti-apartheid activist in her own right, she was held at Pretoria Central Prison with a group of other fighters under the notorious Terrorism Act.

Her then-husband Nelson

Mandela had already been in prison almost seven years by then.

A lawyer's widow had the journal, and returned it to Madikizela-Mandela 41 years after her release on September 14, 1970.

She said reading the journal brought back painful memories about the suffering she, her family and her two children Zindzi and Zenani -- then little girls -- experienced.

Nelson Mandela, 95, marked two months in hospital on Thursday.

The pair divorced in 1996, two years after he became South Africa's first black president.

Winnie Mandela is still revered as mother of the nation, despite her implication in the death of activists on the eve of apartheid's end and a corruption conviction a decade later.



ABIDJAN (AFP) - The faithfuls pray on Eid al-Fitr holiday marking the end of Ramadan in the neighbourhood of Adjame yesterday in Abidjan. Muslims around the world are celebrating Eid al-Fitr this week, marking the end of the holy month of Ramadan during which followers are required to abstain from food, drink and sex from dawn to dusk.



5 Burgers Aruba: Now your best breakfast bargain!



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--A favorite stop for a great burger for lunch or dinner has just expanded their hours and menu to offer some of the best breakfast bargains to be found in Palm Beach. Owners Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and

sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an internationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 8 a.m., patrons can now order 2

eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$4.99, (\$5.48 with bacon) or All-you-can-eat pancakes, for \$6.99, with free refills on fresh coffee. A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast, home fries, with complimentary, unlimited coffee for only \$9.99! Breakfast is served until 11 a.m. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-



most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by two. He was very amused to

watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open from 8am to 10pm-ish Sunday - Thursday. For those late night diners, 5 Burgers is open until 3AM-ish on Friday & Saturdays! Delivery is available to most Hotels and most beaches! Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway, we are very pleased by



the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facili-

ties such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property, not the

least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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Football: Teenager Bakkali drafted into Belgium squad

BRUSSELS (AFP) - PSV Eindhoven's 17-year-old striker Zakaria Bakkali was a surprise inclusion as Belgium coach Marc Wilmots on Thursday named a 25-man squad for next Wednesday's friendly against France in Brussels.

Bakkali, who only made his senior debut for PSV in the club's Champions League third qualifying round, first leg against Belgian side Zulte-Waregem last week, was one of five strikers called up by Wilmots.

Standard Liege captain Jelle Van Damme was recalled after a six-month absence, the defender last appearing for his country in a 2-1 victory over Slovakia in February.

The squad features 11 Premier League-based players, including Chelsea trio Eden Hazard, Kevin De Bruyne and Romelu Lukaku, Manchester City captain Vincent Kompany, Everton midfielder Marouane Fellani and Aston Villa striker Christian Benteke.

However, there was no place for injured Arsenal defender Thomas Vermaelen, nor Torino goalkeeper Jean-Francois Gillet, who is serving a three-year, seven-month ban for his alleged involvement in match-fixing while at former club Bari.



PHILADELPHIA (AFP) - John McDonald #4 of the Philadelphia Phillies is congratulated by Carlos Ruiz #51 after hitting a two-run home run in the eighth inning during a game against the Chicago Cubs at Citizens Bank Park on Thursday in Philadelphia. The Phillies won 12-1.

Eric Wright signs San Francisco 49ers contract



SAN FRANCISCO - The 49ers have signed cornerback Eric Wright to a one-year deal and placed him on the Non-Football Injury/Illness List.

In order to make room for the 5-foot-10, 200-pound cornerback, the team waived undrafted rookie cornerback Lowell Rose.

Wright's addition to the 49ers will count against the team's 90-man roster limit. He can be activated at any time prior to the final cuts of training camp.

The Wright signing was welcomed by Baalke (49ers general manager) who previously said the door wasn't closed on adding the experienced cornerback after he failed a physical which voided a trade with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers prior to training camp.

With Wright, a San Francisco native, now on the roster, the 49ers add another experienced defensive back with 31 career starts under his belt. Wright has totaled 363 tackles and 14 interceptions, including two returned for touchdowns in his six-year career. He has also recorded five fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles, one sack and 70 pass breakups.

Wright started all 10 games in which he appeared for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2012, recording 39 tackles, one interception, one fumble recovery and eight pass breakups.



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SPORTS

Nathan Cleverly: WBO champion prepares



-- WBO light-heavyweight champion Nathan Cleverly acknowledges he must remain patient if he is to secure a fight against a big-name opponent. The Welshman will defend his title against Russian Sergey Kovalev on 17 August at Cardiff's Motorpoint Arena. Cleverly's attempts to secure a bout against Bernard Hopkins and other high-profile fighters have so far been unsuccessful. "Those fights will happen, I can assure you of that," Cleverly said. The 26-year-old's promoter, Frank Warren, said in June that opponents were running scared of Cleverly, who retained his WBO light-heavyweight title with victory over Robin Krasniqi in April. Cleverly describes his 17 August bout against American-based Russian Kovalev as the "biggest fight" of his life. Both fighters are undefeated, with the 30-year-old from Chelyabinsk - who now fights out of Florida - winning 21 professional bouts.



MIAMI GARDENS - The city of Miami was buzzing for the final round of the Guinness International Champions Cup. Ronaldo scored twice and set up the opener as Mourinho suffered defeat at the hands of the club he left in June. Madrid opened the scoring in the 14th minute as Marcelo beat Chelsea keeper Petr Cech with Ramires equalising. Ronaldo scored a free-kick from 25 yards out to edge the Spanish giants ahead and sealed the win with a header in the 57th minute.

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Football: Suarez not for sale, says Reds owner Henry

LONDON (AFP) - Liverpool owner John W Henry has dealt a major blow to Luis Suarez's hopes of escaping Anfield after the unsettled Uruguay striker was told he won't be allowed to leave at any price.

Suarez has been desperate to leave the Reds since the end of last season and Arsenal have tried to take advantage by making a £40 million plus £1 bid that was supposed to trigger a clause in the forward's contract that allowed him to talk to interested clubs.

However, Liverpool are adamant there is no such clause, prompting a furious response from Suarez, who accused Reds boss Brendan



Rodgers of going back on a promise to let him leave after the Merseyside team failed to qualify for this season's Champions League.

Rodgers reacted by banishing Suarez, who he said had shown "total disrespect", to train with the reserves and Henry, the figurehead of the Boston-based Fenway Sports Group that owns Liverpool, has now made it clear he will not consider letting the Reds' prize asset join a top-four rival

with the new Premier League season just over a week away.

Liverpool may yet face a Premier League arbitration hearing or legal challenge from Suarez over the disputed clause in his contract.

Yet even the threat of a Suarez mutiny won't change Henry's stance.

Suarez, who is suspended for the first six games of the season after biting Chelsea's Branislav Ivanovic last term, has made no secret of his preference for a move to Real Madrid, but Henry said even an approach from the Spanish club would not succeed at this late stage.

Despite Rodgers' furious reaction to Suarez's behaviour, Henry believes the 26-year-old could still have a major role to play for the Reds.

Meanwhile, Arsenal winger Theo Walcott insists his team are capable of a successful season even if they don't land Suarez.



MONTREAL (AFP) - Rafael Nadal subdued the big game of Wimbledon semi-finalist Jerzy Janowicz, posting a 7-6 (8/6), 6-4 win over the Pole to reach the quarter-finals of the Montreal Masters on Thursday. The Spanish fourth seed, whose own Wimbledon bid ended in a shock first round loss, needed one and three-quarter hours to go through, advancing on his sixth ace. The win was a contrast to Nadal's opening match, where he lost just two games against Jesse Levine of Canada. The Spaniard has seven titles this season and has won 45 matches.

MLB Standings

American League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
BOSTON	70	46	.603	-
TAMPA	66	47	.584	2.5
BALTIMORE	63	51	.553	6.0
YANKEES	57	56	.504	11.5
TORONTO	53	61	.465	16.0

Central	W	L	Pct	GB
DETROIT	67	45	.598	-
CLEVELAND	62	52	.544	6.0
KANSAS	58	53	.523	8.5
MINNESOTA	49	62	.441	17.5
CHICAGO	43	69	.384	24.0

West	W	L	Pct	GB
OAKLAND	64	49	.566	-
TEXAS	65	50	.565	-
SEATTLE	53	61	.465	11.5
LA ANGELES	51	62	.451	13.0
HOUSTON	37	76	.327	27.0

National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
ATLANTA	70	45	.609	-
WASHINGTON	54	60	.474	15.5
NY METS	52	60	.464	16.5
PHILADELPHIA	51	62	.451	18.0
MIAMI	43	70	.381	26.0

Central	W	L	Pct	GB
PITTSBURGH	70	44	.614	-
ST. LOUIS	66	47	.584	3.5
CINCINNATI	63	51	.553	7.0
CHICAGO	50	63	.442	19.5
MILWAUKEE	49	65	.430	21.0

West	W	L	Pct	GB
DODGERS	63	50	.558	-
ARIZONA	58	55	.513	5.0
SAN DIEGO	52	62	.456	11.5
COLORADO	52	64	.448	12.5
SAN FRANCISCO	50	63	.442	13.0

x-Clinched Playoff Spot; y-Division Champ

Tennis: Gulbis sends Wimbledon champ Murray out of Montreal

MONTREAL (AFP) - Ernests Gulbis handed Wimbledon champion Andy Murray a shock 6-4, 6-3 defeat in the Montreal Masters third round on Thursday.

The win was the first in six meetings with the world number two for the Latvian and ended a 13-match winning streak for Murray.

Murray now heads to Cincinnati next week for a final chance to tune his hardcourt form for his US Open title defence starting in New York on August 26.

Gulbis went through in less than 90 minutes with three breaks of Murray, who has been champion in Canada on two occasions.

"I struggled at the start of the first set from the baseline, but then I got more aggressive and took my opportunities," said Gulbis, who faces either Juan Martin del Potro or Milos Raonic for a place in the semi-finals.

"I want to crack the top 20. Then, one or two big wins and you are in the top 10."

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MOSCOW, RUSSIA (AFP) - Head of Moscow Department for Sports Aleksey Vorobyev and IAAF Vice-President Sergey Bubka pose alongside Fabiana Murer of Brazil, Asbel Kiprop of Kenya, Koji Murofushi of Japan, Kirani James of Grenada, Anne Chicherova of Russia, Yuriy Borzakovskiy of Russia, Sally Pearson of Australia, Ashton Eaton of the USA, Allyson Felix of the USA and Aries Merritt of the USA ahead of the 14th IAAF World Athletics Championships on Thursday in Moscow, Russia.

Golf: Five-birdie run lifts Scott to share of PGA lead



ROCHESTER (AFP) - Masters champion Adam Scott birdied five holes in a row Thursday to match Jim Furyk for the first-round lead of the PGA Championship while Tiger Woods was six shots back.

Scott won his first major title last April at Augusta National to become the first Australian winner of the green jacket and the 33-year-old from Adelaide looked poised to take another major after his epic birdie binge.

Scott started his run with a birdie at the par-5 fourth and birdied the next four in a row before a par at the ninth gave him a 30 for the front nine and a share of the lead.

Just 13 months after squandering a four-stroke lead with bogeys on the final four holes to hand a British Open title to Ernie Els, Scott was showing the form that saw him come third in last month's British Open at Muirfield.

The Aussie was looking at matching the course record of 64 shared by Ben Hogan and

Curtis Strange.

Furyk, who started on the back nine, took a bogey at the ninth to miss out on the record, but still produced a 65 for his



lowest first-round score in 73 career majors.

Furyk, the 2003 US Open champion, has not won since the 2010 Tour Championship but the 43-year-old American fired six birdies at Oak Hill to launch his quest for a 17th ca-

reer title.

Furyk opened with a birdie at the 10th, added a birdie at the 16th and followed with back-to-back birdies at the 18th and first. He made another at the par-4 fifth and yet another at the seventh to grab a two-stroke edge on the field before closing with a bogey at the ninth.

That left Furyk one stroke in front of Canada's David Hearn with Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez on the course on four under as well.

Jimenez had a roller-coaster start that began with a bogey, featured five birdies in a row on the front nine in a run from the second to the par-3 sixth, then a double bogey at seven

and birdies at the eighth and 11th.

Woods, a 14-time major winner seeking his first major title since the 2008 US Open, closed with a double bogey at the par-4 ninth to finish on one-over 71.



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